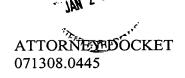
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed October 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.